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For : CONDUCTING SALTS FOR GALVANIC CELLS, THE PRODUCTION THEREOF AND THEIR USE

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Examiner : O. K. Conley

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RESPONSE TO SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Sir:

Responsive to the species requirement mailed Applicants wish to elect the species salicylic acid as set forth in claim 25 and also, if necessary, glycolic acid.

Applicants elect the process of claim 22. These elections are made with traverse.

The Examiner points to Rule 13.1 but fails to provide any details as to why the election is required. The mere fact that different species are present in the claims does not provide sufficient basis for such a requirement.

Furthermore, no similar requirement was made in corresponding EP 1 726 061 B1 (copy attached).